

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful review of this application. Claims 1-2 and 5-11 were previously pending in this application. Claims 3 and 4 were previously cancelled without prejudice. Claim 10 has been cancelled with this amendment without prejudice. Claims 1, 8-9 and 11 have been amended. Claims 12-26 have been added. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 1-2, 5-9 and 11-26 remain pending in this application.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that all pending claims are now allowable. The applicant respectfully requests that all objections and rejections be withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance be issued at the earliest possible date.

The amendment was made to expedite the prosecution of this application. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections of the amended claims and reserves the right to re-introduce them and claims of an equivalent scope in a continuation application.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned counsel at the number set out below.

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